Yes, Sir. The International Children's Film Festival got a good response from the audience.

The films screenings, which were held in 13 theatres, were well attended by Child and adult delegates. About 400 Child delegates from all over India (including 20 children each from Jammu & Kashmir, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur & Mizoram) attended the Festival. There was good coverage in the local press.

A budget of Rs. 1.00 crore has been allotted to CFSI for this purpose. Besides this, the Government of Andhra Pradesh incurred expenditure towards hospitality, theatre rent, transportation, publicity etc.

Yes, Sir.

Ministry of l&B *vide* their OM No. 305/37/97-F(F) dated 7-11-1997 declared Hyderabad as the permanent venue for International Children's Film Festival.

Does not arise.

Review of Prasar Bharati Act

1276. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

whether Government are re-thinking on Prasar Bharati Act;

if so, the details thereof; and

the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Control on Pay-Channels

1277. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI. Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

the steps being taken to control the pay-channels; and

whether Government have given up the scheme to set-top-box; if so, the reasons therefor and the alternative steps being taken to stop exploitation of consumers by the channels and cable operators?